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INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY FB Rice & Co 605 Darling Street WRITTEN OPINION OF THE **BALMAIN NSW 2041** INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY (PCT Rule 43bis.1) Date of mailing MAY 2004 (day/month/year) Applicant's or agent's file reference FOR FURTHER ACTION 118017 See paragraph 2 below International application No. International filing date (day/month/year) Priority date (day/month/year) PCT/AU2004/000441 2 April 2004 4 April 2003 International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC Int. Cl. 7 H04N 5/262, 5/268 Applicant EVOLUTION BROADCAST PTY LIMITED et al This opinion contains indications relating to the following items: Box No. I Basis of the opinion Box No. II Priority Box No: III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; Box No. V citations and explanations supporting such statement Box No. VI Certain documents cited Certain defects in the international application Box No. VII Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application 2. **FURTHER ACTION** If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered. If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later. For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220. 3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220. Name and mailing address of the IPEA/AU **Authorized Officer AUSTRALIAN PATENT OFFICE** PO BOX 200, WODEN ACT 2606, AUSTRALIA SUSHIL AGGARWAL E-mail address: pct@ipaustralia.gov.au Telephone No. (02) 6283 2192 Facsimile No. (02) 6285 3929

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